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TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF MANAGERS

OF THE

SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND.

The Board of Managers have much pleasure in submitting to the Members of the Corporation, to the Governments and Legislatures interested, and to the friends of the Blind, the Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the School, and in doing so they desire to acknowledge with heart-felt gratitude their thankfulness to a kind Providence for the manifold blessings which have marked the year now drawing to its close. While the work of educating the blind is indeed a grand one, and its results very satisfactory, the difficulties to overcome in its accomplishment are by no means small, and your Board, while willing to assume these responsibilities, desires to acknowledge its indebtedness to the ever-increasing number of the friends of the School.

Under the legislation respecting the education of the blind, enacted in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, the blind are admitted to the School free of all charge. Such legislation is an inestimable boon to those deprived of sight, and is a credit to the legislators of these Provinces, and whatever the future may have in store for humanity in the nature of reform, nothing will more distinctly mark the advancement of the race than the enactment of those laws which have placed within reach of the blind the blessings of a free education.

While the Province of Newfoundland has as yet adopted no special Act with respect to the education of the blind, the Government and Legislature have provided by annual grant for their education and special training, and year by year as

the Newfoundland graduates leave the School fitted to earn their own livelihoods, the public in the sister Colony become more and more satisfied with the provision made by the Government for those who cannot take advantage of the general school system.

The Province of Prince Edward Island has now four pupils in the School. Heretofore it has made annual provision for defraying the expense of but one pupil, but we trust that the Government and Legislature will see to it that, in the matter of the free education of the blind, they are prepared to stand side by side with the sister provinces by proportionately increasing the annual grant to the same amount as that provided in the other provinces.

As will be seen by the Superintendent's report, the several departments of the school are in a most satisfactory state of efficiency, but while this is true, your Board realizes that it would not be discharging its full duty to those under its care were it not to recognize the difficulties experienced by both teachers and pupils in securing the best results. Were it not for the co-operative spirit which characterizes the whole school, the results would fall far short of those now attained: but these results, satisfactory though they be in a great measure, fall below the standard towards which we are reaching out. The majority of our pupils come to us between the ages of ten and fifteen years. Many of them, owing to the misguided kindness of their parents or guardians, or from sheer neglect, lack the energy and physical vigor which marks the ordinary child with sight. This necessitates careful supervision in order to give them the bodily health and strength so necessary to mental development, and hence much valuable time is lost before their education is really commenced. Under these circumstances, we purpose to seek legislation in the several provinces in order that the age at which the pupils are eligible for admission may be changed from the minimum of ten to six years. All true educationists will at once realize the great advantages that will result to the blind if this change be accomplished, while the school life of little blind children would be made happy and profitable within the walls of a kindergarten home.

After full consideration, your Board decided that the School should take another step in advance by providing non-musical pupils with such a training in modern languages as would fit them to become efficient teachers. This departure will, we believe, materially increase the percentage of our self-supporting graduates.

The Board desires to express its appreciation of the faithful and thorough work being accomplished by the members of the teaching staff, and to express its high estimate of the talents of heart and mind which are daily and hourly displayed by those engaged in the active work of the education and training of the blind in this school.

Our school register now shows that we have fifty-two pupils in attendance, and applications for the admission of several new pupils have recently been received. While we feel assured that the number of the blind is not on the increase, it is gratifying to feel that the advantages of the school are being more and more appreciated, and, as our limit has almost been reached, it is quite evident that we must shortly seriously consider the question of adding to our buildings. In this matter, as in all matters respecting the welfare of this school, we rely upon the intelligent sympathy and generous support of the friends of the blind, and we feel certain that our efforts to further the interests of those who in God's all-wise Providence have to fight the battle of life under manifold disadvantages, will, as heretofore, receive encouragement and liberal help.

During the past year no serious case of illness has occurred, the health of the pupils having been unusually good. Every effort is made to provide those entrusted to our care with wholesome food, clean surroundings, and such an environment as will best conduce to their health and happiness.

The pupils are engaged in their studies and other occupations from seven to nine hours daily, but care is taken to supply indoor and outdoor amusements so as to render their hours of recreation enjoyable. During the year the sum of $248 has been expended upon internal improvements and upon the grounds. The inadequacy of the hot water supply for laundry and bathing purposes rendered a change necessary, and during the summer a complete hot water system was introduced for these purposes, and has proved both economical and satisfactory. Many other minor improvements have been made which make it possible to carry on the work of the domestic department with greater efficiency. Miss Bowman, the matron of the school, has discharged her round of daily duties satisfactorily, and has been untiring in her efforts for the comfort of the household.

The constitution of the Corporation has been slightly changed so as to admit of a fuller recognition of those who liberally aid in the forwarding of the education of the blind

by making generous contributions to the funds of the school or by rendering services advantageous to the school. The names of these persons will henceforth appear in the published report under the heading of Benefactors, and it is hoped that many other persons may be induced to place their names upon this roll of honor.

In addition to the donations elsewhere acknowledged, your Board gratefully acknowledges the receipt of $333.33 from the estate of the late Duncan Waddell, also the receipt of $100 from the estate of the late Miss E. Cronan. Such bequests enable your Board to extend the work far beyond the limit which the funds at command would otherwise warrant.

The Treasurer's statement shows the receipts from all sources to have been $9,660.22, and the expenditure $9,434.29, leaving a small balance of $225.93 to the credit of the school.

The Managers again express their sense of the value of the services rendered to the school and the cause of the blind generally by the untiring vigilance and able administrative abilities of the Superintendent, C. F. Fraser.

The thanks of the Board of Managers are hereby tendered to Drs. Lindsay, Dodge, Kirkpatrick and Cogswell, for their kindly attention to the pupils; to H. B. Clarke, lessee of the Academy, and to the Orpheus Club, for tickets to entertainments; to a number of leading lecturers and musicians in Halifax for lectures and concerts given to the pupils in the Assembly Hall of the School, and to the railway, steamship and coach proprietors for the privileges granted to our pupils.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. C. SILVER,
President.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the President and Board of Managers of the School for the Blind.

GENTLEMEN :—

The table of attendance herewith submitted shows that 59 blind persons have been under instruction during the past year, 43 of whom were males and 16 females; 7 of these have since graduated or left the school, making the total number in attendance on Dec. 1st, 1894, 52, of whom 37 are males and 15 females; of these 28 are from the Province of Nova Scotia, 12 from New Brunswick, 4 from Prince Edward Island and 8 from Newfoundland.

TABLE OF ATTENDANCE.

	Boys.	Girls.	Adults.	Total.
Registered Dec. 1st, 1893.....	32	13	2	47
Entered during the year.....	9	3	0	12
Graduated or remained at home....	5	1	1	7
Registered Dec. 1st, 1894.....	36	15	1	52

LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

It is gratifying to report that the past school year has been one of steady and satisfactory effort upon the part of both teachers and pupils. The teachers have brought to the work added experience, zeal for the progress of their pupils, and ambition to have the school retain its good name and reputation. Imbued with the spirit of the new education, they have faithfully striven to discharge their responsible duties so as to secure the best results, and I am satisfied that the respect and esteem in which they are held by the pupils is well deserved.

Miss Fletcher has daily been at her post, and has been enthusiastic in all the classes in which she has been placed in charge.

Miss Frame, by precept and example, has endeavored to arouse among the pupils that love for literature and literary pursuits which she herself so much enjoys.

Mr. Hussy has been untiring in his desire to forward the interests of the pupils, never being satisfied to have his labors restricted to school hours.

Recognizing the desirability of opening up to our graduates special literary callings, and availing ourselves of the experience of similar institutions abroad, a regular course in modern languages has been adopted, and instruction is being given to four of the older pupils, with a view to their becoming teachers of French and German. Prof. Lanos has undertaken the instruction in French, and Fraulein Ellars in German. In this new department one practical end is kept steadily in view, namely, preparing our pupils to earn their own livelihoods. If the experiment proves as great a success as we anticipate, a new and wide field of usefulness will be opened to the blind.

MUSICAL DEPARTMENT.

Among those who graduated from the musical department during the past year, Mr. Stephen Hulan, of Bay St. George, Nfld., deserves special mention. This young man came to the school seven years since, and by patience, perseverence and dogged determination, he acquired a good education and won a foremost place in the musical department of the school. He is now organist and choir master in one of the leading churches in Bay St. George, and has a first rate class of private music pupils.

The musical department of the school and Mr. A. M. Chisholm, instructor of music, are so closely identified that, in calling attention to one of the many successful teachers among the graduates, we indirectly commend the very excellent training given in this department by Mr. Chisholm. Certain it is, that his ideals of thoroughness and efficiency are set high enough to merit the approbation of all true lovers of the divine art. The importance of the musical department cannot be overestimated; it is to the blind of these Provinces a special school of music, and it offers to them exceptional advantages for professional training.

The recent outlay upon the tuning department has greatly improved the facilities for acquiring the knowledge of tuning and of the repairing of pianofortes. The instructor in this department, Mr. D. M. Reid, has rendered admirable service to the school.

TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT.

Work in the electrical department has passed beyond the experimental stage. Mr. S. J. Harrivel, the enthusiastic instructor, has himself exploited this new field of occupation for the blind, and, inspired by his success and enthusiasm, the pupils of his class are ambitious to prove that they too can become experts in special electrical work.

In our workshops several young men are being trained as willow basket-makers, while others are being taught the seating of cane-bottom chairs. Among the former is Willie Heulin, the deaf, dumb and blind boy of Bay St. George, Nfld. Willie has acquired an excellent knowledge of cane-seating, and the skill with which he manipulates his material in making baskets has been a source of great surprise to those not understanding the methods by which deaf, dumb and blind persons are now successfully trained. Mr. D. A. Baird, instructor in the workshop, has proved himself a patient and painstaking teacher.

Miss Bella Bowman, who for the past four years has so successfully instructed our girls' work-class, has, to the great regret of her pupils, resigned her position in the school. The position is one that requires special qualifications upon the part of the teacher, and these Miss Bowman possessed in a marked degree. Her successor is Miss Lyall.

GENERAL.

One of the difficulties with which we have to contend in educating the blind arises from the fact that many of the best years for educational work are lost. Our pupils enter the school at ten years of age. Prior to that age they receive no training whatever, and many of them are the victims of indulgence, ignorance or neglect. No argument is needed to prove that these little blind children suffer physically, mentally and morally during these years of inactivity. If this be true, and it surely is, it would not be asking too much of the Governments and Legislatures of the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland to allow us to take the children at six instead of ten years of age.

In our present school buildings the maximum number of pupils that can be accommodated is sixty, and having due regard for the health and comfort of all within the establishment, the number of resident pupils should not exceed fifty-six. Of the fifty-two pupils now on the register,

fifty-one are resident in the school, and already we have found it necessary to turn our trunk room into a dormitory for the domesties. Judging from the number of names of probable pupils now on the books, I feel satisfied that the school will continue to increase in numbers for several years to come. This being the case, it is evident that some measure should soon be taken to provide increased accommodation. In the meantime the friends of the blind should unite in subscribing towards a building fund, in order that the Board of Managers may see their way clear to meet the emergency at the threshold.

For the past five months, Miss Una Legge, a recent graduate of the school, has been visiting the homes of the blind in the western portion of New Brunswick. During this time she has taught ten blind persons to read and write in the Braille system, or to read in Dr. Moon's larger characters. Three blind women have been instructed by her in knitting and fancy work. In addition, Miss Legge has visited the homes of eight young blind children and instructed the parents in their education and training. Many of those who have been under instruction have, in letters to me, expressed their deepest gratitude for the privilege of being taught by Miss Legge at their homes. It is gratifying to know that, through the agency of the Home Teaching Fund, many persons are being relieved from the dull monotony of their lives, and, at the same time, that through the same agency many blind children will be induced to come to the school, and will be saved from their lives of ignorance and dependence.

In conclusion, gentlemen, let me say that the reputation this school has won for being a progressive and thorough institution is largely due to the liberal support and encouragement which I have always received when submitting for your consideration and approval any contemplated improvement, and it may truly be said that the blind of the four provinces represented in this school owe to the members of the Board of Managers a deep debt of gratitude, and that foremost on the roll of honored benefactors should stand the names of the gentlemen who have unsparingly given time and thought to the development of this institution.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. FRASER,
Superintendent.

Register of Pupils in Attendance Dec. 1st, 1894.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Name.	Place.	Municipality.
Martha Robertson	Glengary	Pictou
Freela Kaulbach	New Germany	Lunenburg
Blanche Brewster	Ross Creek	Kings
Florence Flinn	Halifax City	
Lucy Gammon	Tor Bay	Guysboro'
Lina B. Johnstone	Sydney	Cape Breton
Julia White	Yarmouth	Yarmouth
Jennie Meuse	Yarmouth	Yarmouth
W. H. D. Johnstone	Westville	Pictou
Geo. Steele	Stewiacke	Colchester
Samuel Stewart	Westville	Pictou
Simon Chisholm	West Cariboo	Pictou
Ralph Giffin	Isaac's Harbor	Guysboro'
Geo. Corning	Brookville	Yarmouth
Edward Blackburn	Halifax City	
Hudson Smith	Trenton	Pictou
Thos. Hubley	Halifax City	
Robt. Finlayson	Truro	Colchester
Wm. MacKenzie	Malagawatch	Inverness
Ernest Ogilvie	Harborville	Kings
Sylvain Lefave	Belleville	Yarmouth
Lewis Fletcher	DeBert	Colchester
Thos. Fletcher	DeBert	Colchester
Chas. Kaulbach	New Germany	Lunenburg
W. H. Sterns	Liverpool	Queens
Joseph Burke	St. Peters	Richmond
Arch. Chisholm	Ohio	Antigonish
Alex. Duncan	Aylesford	Kings

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Alma Campbell	Campbell Settlement	Sussex
Maud McTavish	Red Bank	Northumberland
Adelaide Burlock	Forreston	Carleton
Mary McDonald	Welsford	Queens
Martha Rankine	Chipman	Queens

NEW BRUNSWICK. (*Continued.*)

Name.	Place.	Municipality.
Jaeob Wilson	St. John City	
Frederick Campbell	Campbell Settlement	Sussex
Beverley Campbell	Campbell Settlement	Sussex
Jas. Steeves	Coverdale	Albert
Arthur Duffy	Hillsboro	Albert
Stanley Day	Moncton	Westmorland
Williard Smith	St. Stephens	Charlotte

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Name.	Place.
Lilian Breaker	St. John's
Ella Casey	St. John's
Wm. Heulin	Bay St. George
Thos. Davis	Harbour Graee
Walter Barnes	St. John's
Michael Parnell	Petty Harbour
Edgar A. Bursey	Hants Harbour
Ralph A. Morgan	Salmon Cove, Conception Bay

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Wm. Farrell	Sturgeon
Vernor Jones	Pownel
Frank McDonald	Charlottetown
Geo. McPherson	Charlottetown

ENTERED DURING THE YEAR.

Name.	Place.
Lina B. Johnstone	Sydney, C. B.
Julia White	Yarmouth, N. S.
Jennie Meuse	Yarmouth, N. S.
W. H. Sterns	Liverpool, N. S.
Joseph Burke	St. Peters, C. B.
Archibald Chisholm	Ohio, N. S.
Alex. Dunean	Aylesford, N. S.
Williard Smith	St. Stephen, N. B.
Edgar A. Bursey	Hants Harbour, Nfld.
Ralph A. Morgan	Salmon Cove, Nfld.
Frank McDonald	Charlottetown, P. E. I.
George McPherson	Charlottetown, P. E. I.

GRADUATED OR REMAINED AT HOME.

Euna Legge.....Scotts Bay, N. S.
Wm. Walsh.....Halifax, N. S.
Roderick McDonald.....Monks Head, N. S.
James Upham.....Prosser Brook, N. B.
Frank Nixon.....Aberdeen, N. B.
James Graves.....Elgin, N. B.
Stephen Hulan.....Bay St. George, Nfld.

PRIZES.

Literary Department.

1st Division.

1st Prize—Freela Kaulbach, New Germany, N. S.
—W. H. D. Johnstone, Westville, N. S.

2nd Division.

1st Prize—Maude McTavish, Red Bank, N. B.
2nd Prize—Thos. Hubley, Halifax, N. S.

3rd Division.

1st Prize—Ernest Ogilvie, Harborville, N. S.
2nd Prize—Thos. Fletcher, De Bert, N. S.

Musical Department.

1st Prize—Martha Robertson, Glengary, N. S.
2nd Prize—George Steele, Stewiacke, N. S.

SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND IN ACCT. WITH JOHN DUFFUS, TREASURER.

CURRENT ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

1894.			
Dec. 1.	By Interest and Dividends	$2608 14	
	" Donations and Subscriptions	193 35	
	" N. S. Govt. and Municipalities	3483 90	
	" N. B. " " "	1891 87	
	" P. E. I. Government	149 63	
	" Newfoundland Government	900 00	
			$9226 89
	" Transferred from Legacy Acct		433 33
			$9660 22

EXPENDITURE.

1893.			
Dec. 1.	To Balance due Bank		$ 723 94
1894.			
Dec. 1.	To House Expenses, including :—		
	" Salaries to matron & servants	$4776 20	
	" Salaries to Supt. & Teachers	2706 28	
	" Repairs to Building	334 71	
	" Grounds, etc	124 62	
	" Printg., Postage & Stationery	149 51	
	" Music & Musical Instruments	45 12	
	" Prizes	18 00	
	" Board of Adults	115 00	
	" School Supplies	115 91	
	" Sundry Expenses	77 00	
			8462 35
	" Extraordinary Repairs		248 00
	" Balance in Bank		225 93
			$9660 22

Examined and found correct.

W. H. NEAL,
GEO. MITCHELL, } *Auditors.*

SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND IN ACCT. WITH JOHN DUFFUS, TREASURER.

LEGACY ACCOUNT.

CR.

1894.			
Dec. 1.	By Legacy Estate of Duncan Waddell, Esq	$ 333 33	
	By Legacy Estate of Miss E. Cronan	100 00	
			$433 33

DR.

1894.		
Dec. 1.	To Transferred to Current Acct.	$433 33

RECAPITULATION.

CR.

1894.			
Dec. 1.	By Revenue	$9226 89	
	" Legacy Acct	433 33	
			$9660 22

DR.

1894.			
Dec. 1.	To Current Expenses	$8462 35	
	" Extraordinary Repairs	248 00	
	" Overdraft at Bank	723 94	
	" Balance at Bank	225 93	
			$9660 22

Examined and found correct.

W. H. NEAL,
GEO. MITCHELL, } *Auditors.*

BENEFACTORS.

By-Laws, Art. 2.—The payment of five hundred dollars at one time shall constitute a Benefactor of the Institution. Any person who has served for ten consecutive years as a member of the Board of Managers, or who shall have performed such services as the Board of Managers shall deem worthy of recognition, shall be entitled to be enrolled as a Benefactor of the Institution.

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By-Laws, Art. 2.—Any subscriber to the funds of the Institution to the amount of five dollars or upwards may be constituted a member, on motion of a member of the Board of Managers at one of their regular meetings, and so continue during the annual payment of five dollars.

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LEGACIES.

1867—Wm. Murdock, Halifax	$19466	67	1887—W. H. Merkel, Halifax.	$ 50	
1871—Jane Molloy, Halifax.	88	77	Jas. A. Buist, " ..	500	
1872—Robt. Noble, " ..	100		Mrs. M. J. Hamilton, Halifax.....	50	
1874—R. Purvis, Pugwash.	100		Mrs. Jer. Northup, Halifax.....	200	
1875—Jas. McDonald, Green Hill, Pictou....	150		Mrs. E. Binney, Halifax	500	
1876—Miss Jane M. Tonge, Windsor.....	20		1888—J. W. Metzler, " ..	40	
N. L. West, Halifax.	800		J. U. Ross " ..	50	
1877—J. M. Walker, " ..	500		1889—Mrs. W. L. Wilmot, Fredericton, N. B.	250	
1878—W. L. Black, " ..	250		Miss Elinor Smith, Summerville, Hants Co.	16	75
1879—Chas. Roche, " ..	100		Jas. F. Avery, M. D., Halifax.....	500	
Miss Service, " ..	400		S. A. White, Halifax.	1000	
1880—Mrs. Williamson" ..	200		John Gibson, " ..	1000	
G. Frieze, Maitland..	100		1890—G. G. Gray, " ..	100	
Ann Wilson, Halifax.	100		Finlay Campbell, Charlottetown, P. E. I..	100	
1881—Ann Hunter " ..	20		J. P. Mott, Dartmouth.	3000	
1882—John Saunders, Burlington, Hants Co.	416	33	1891—M. P. Black, Halifax.	500	
John King, Halifax.	600		G. G. Gray, " ..	81	07
W. P. West, " ..	1000		John Naylor, " ...	500	
1883—Jos. Hart, Baddeck..	100		1892—John P. Mott, Dartmouth.....	11876	66
Mrs. G. Gunn, Halifax.	40		John Naylor, Halifax.	26	75
1884—Hugh Elliott, " ..	100		Sir E. Kenny, " ...	400	
Alex. McLeod, " ..	100		1893—A. K. Doull, " ..	1849	33
1885—Jas. Thomson, " ..	100		1894—Miss E. Cronan," ..	100	
H. Hesslein, " ..	100		Duncan Waddell, Dartmouth..... .	333	33
1886—S. S. B. Smith " ..	100				
A. Shields, Dartmouth	553				
Jas. G. Merkel, Halifax	50				
1887—J. C. Macdonald, " .	50				

FORM OF LEGACY.

I hereby give and bequeath to "The Halifax School for the Blind," Halifax, Nova Scotia, and their successors, forever, (if real estate) all that etc., (if personal) the sum of, etc., to be used for the general purposes of the Institution.

DONATIONS AND THANGSGIVING COLLECTIONS.

United Church, New Glasgow, N. S.....	$ 66	85
"Restitution," St. John.....	1	
John Cronan, Halifax.....	100	
United Prayer Meeting, Truro.....	10	50

OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.

The true test of the valuc of the work in The Halifax School for the Blind is its product in the young men and women who leave the place to make their way in the world. The greater number of these, without the advantages of special training, would be dependent on friends or strangers, not only for support, but for all forms of enjoyment. The burden thrown upon others would be the smallest calamity except in special cascs. The greater misfortune would be the loss of the opportunity for physical and mental activity, and the deprivation of that sense of freedom and sclf-reliance which ought to be the possession of every human being. It is suficient to compare the comparatively desolate and barren life of a blind person who has never learned to overcome the disadvantage in which he is placed with the cheerful, alert and independent life of one who has been trained to carry on various kinds of work, study and recreation in spite of blindness. A somewhat careful enquiry, made not long ago, into the record of the students who have graduated from the Halifax School showed that while there were a few who had not made the most of their opportunities the proportion of students who had done credit to their training was fully as large as that of the graduutes of any other school or college in the Provinces.—*St. John Sun.*

The *Gazette* has recived the twenty-third annual report of the Managers of The Halifax School for the Blind. This Institution is doing a noble work for the blind, and we are glad to see that it is liberally supported by contributions not only from Nova Scotia but from nearly all the Canadian Provinces.—*St. John Gazette.*

We have receivcd the twenty-third annual report of The Halifax School for the Blind. This Institution appears to be doing excellent work. Our Province ought to have more than one pupil, but while our Legislature grants only $150.00 thereto our blind have not much claim for greater consideration.—*Daily Patriot, Charlottetown, P. E. I.*

We have to acknowledge the receipt of the twenty-third annual report of the Board of Managers of the Halifax School

for the Blind at Halifax, N. S.—an Institution which has done unspeakable good in the education of our blind fellow-creatures. The Institution appears to be most efficiently equipped with an excellent staff of teachers who are doing a noble work in training the pupils under their tuition. Our Legislature does a little by giving a small annual grant to assist the blind of our Colony in obtaining an education in the Halifax Institution, but in the report of the Board of Managers the President, Mr. W. C. Silver, thinks that our Legislature should go further and provide free education for our blind brothers and sisters by an increased annual grant, and we are of opinion that a small portion of our revenue could not be better appropriated than in putting the excellent advantages of such an Institution within reach of this class of our fellow countrymen and women. Those who have been there from this Colony have distinguished themselves in the attainment of knowledge, and there are others who lack means to avail of such advantages who might be equally bright and put in a way of earning a livelihood, and thus make them independent of the charity of those around them. —*Twillingate Sun, Nfld.*

We have had laid on our table the annual report of the School for the Blind, of Halifax. On perusal of this pamphlet we would say that, under the able management of Prof. Fraser, this important Institution is in excellent working order. It reflects great credit on its supporters and instructors, and is one of the very best and most laudable institutions in the City of Halifax.—*King's College Record, Windsor, N. S.*

The twenty-third annual report of the Board of Managers of The Halifax School for the Blind has been received and records another year of the successful management of this Institution. This School has reached a high place in public estimation, and the pupils have opened to them a world of pleasure and usefulness of which they were formerly deprived.—*Digby Courier, Digby, N. S.*

AN ACT

To Incorporate the Halifax School for the Blind.

WHEREAS, it has been proposed that an institution for the reception, maitenance and education of blind persons should be established in the City of Halifax, and it is desirable that such institution should be founded and carried on by individual enterprise and voluntary association:

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly, as follows:—

1.—When it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of the Governor-in-Council, that no less than twelve persons have associated themselves for the above object, and subscribed the sum of twelve thousand dollars, and paid thereon into the hands of the Treasurer, by them appointed, the sum of two thousand dollars, the Govornor-in-Council shall by proclamation declare this Act to have come into operation, and thereupon immediately thereafter such persons, and all such other persons as shall from time to time become associated with them, their successors and assigns, shall be and are hereby incorporated into a company and declared to be a body corporated by the name "The Halifax School for the Blind," and by that name shall have succession and be capable of suing and being sued, pleaded and being impleaded, defending and being defended in all courts and places whatsoever, in all manner of actions, suits, matters, eomplaints and clauses whatsoever; may have and use a common seal, and may change and alter the same at their pleasure; and shall be capable in law of purchasing, holding and conveying any real and personal estate for the purposes of this incorporation, and none other, which shall not exceed the annual value of ten thousand dollars.

2.—For the better carrying into effect the objects of the said incorporation, there shall annually be elected twelve persons, who shall constitute a Board of Managers, wno shall have power to conduct and manage all its concerns, the Managers to be elected by ballot at an annual meeting of the members of the Society, to hold their offices for one year, or until others be elected in their places; the said election

to be held at such time and places as the said corporation shall by their by-laws from time to time appoint and direct; the aforesaid Managers shall be elected by a majority of the members present at such election; and in case of any vacancy or vacancies in the said Board of Managers, by death, resignation or otherwise, then the said Board shall have power to fill such vacancy or vacancies until the next annual election.

3.—The Board of Managers shall, as soon after the annual election as shall be convenient, proceed to elect by ballot, from among their own number, a President, a Vice-President, a treasurer and two Secretaries, who shall serve for one year, or until others are elected in their room; and the first election of Managers and Officers shall take place on a day to be fixed by the Governor-in-Council, in the proclamation aforesaid.

4.—The Board of Managers, so elected as aforesaid, shall have full power to make such by-laws as from time to time may be necessary, relative to the management, disposition of the estate and concerns of the said corporation, and regulations of the persons exercising the offices aforesaid, not contrary to law, and may appoint such agents and servants as may be deemed necessary to transact the business of the said corporation and designate their duties.

5.—It shall be lawful for the City of Halifax to transfer by deed duly executed to the "Halifax School for the Blind," either by way of gift or for valuable consideration, any land or hereditaments now vested in the said City of Halifax, either by Act of this Province or by purchase, so that the value of such land and hereditaments shall not exceed in the whole the sum of twelve thousand dollars.

6.—The Managers of the said Institution shall, on or before the first day of February in each year, make a full report to the Governor-in-Council of their proceedings.

7.—Whereas, the Halifax School for the Blind, in the City of Halifax, receives pupils from the adjacent provinces, and it is desirable that arrangements be made for securing proper representation on the Board of Managers for such provinces as may be willing to make satisfactory contributions to the school funds.

Be it enacted therefore by the Governor, Council and Assembly, as follows:

Whenever it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Board of Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind, that the Government of the Province of New Brunswick, or the Government of the Province of Prince Edward Island, or the Government of the Colony of Newfoundland, are willing to make provision for the education and support at said School of pupils from their province or colony, the said Board of Managers may enlarge their number by appointing to the Board the Premier or recognized first minister of the Government of such province or colony, who shall thereupon be *ex officio* a member of the said Board, and the Board may provide that, in the absence of the official so named, any other member of the government of such province or colony may act as a substitute, and represent the government at any meeting of the Board.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

OF THE

HALIFAX SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I.

This Association shall, conformable to the Amended Act of Incorporation, 30 Victoria, C. 50, be styled "The Halifax School for the Blind."

Article II.—Membership.

All original subscribers to the fund for erecting the School for the Blind within the City of Halifax shall be and continue members of this Association as long as they contribute the sum of one dollar or upwards to the support of the Institution.

Any subscriber to the funds of the Institution to the amount of five dollars or upwards may be constituted a member of the Board of Managers at one of their regular monthly meetings, and so continue during the annual payment of five dollars.

Donors of twenty-five dollars at one time, and members who have served the office of Manager not less than three consecutive years, shall thereby be constituted life members of the Association.

The payment of five hundred dollars at one time shall constitute a benefactor of the Association.

Any person who has served for ten consecutive years as a member of the Board of Managers, or who shall have performed such services as the Board of Managers shall deem worthy of recognition, shall be entitled to be enrolled as a Benefactor.

Benefactors and members shall have the right of voting at the election of Managers, and shall themselves be eligible.

Article III.—Management.

The Management of the Institution shall be entrusted to a Board of twelve members, who shall choose from their own number a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary and Recording Secretary.

An annual meeting for the election of the Board of Management shall be held on such day of the second week of the last month of the year as the Board of Managers may appoint, due notice thereof being given in two at least of the Haifax newspapers. Any number of persons present in a half hour from the time named in such notice shall be a quorum for the election of Managers, and the transaction of any business to be passed upon at such annual meeting; but any five members then present may, if they deem the business to require it, demand an adjournment to some other day or hour within one week therefrom, and the same shall stand adjourned accordingly, and the business so postponed shall at the first adjourned meeting be first taken up and finally disposed of.

If for any reason the election of managers be, pursuant to the foregoing provision or otherwise, postponed, the Managers of the preceding year shall hold office until the new Board be elected.

The Board of Managers shall have power to supply vacancies occurring therein between the periods of the annual elections.

At the annual meeting the votes shall be taken by ballot, and the first twelve persons named on a list made in the order of the number of votes given for them respectively, beginning with the largest number of votes so on to the least, shall constitute the Board of Managers.

Article IV.—By-Laws.

The power of making, amending and repealing by-laws, and regulations for their own guidance and the government of the Institution, and the appointment and removal of all officers, and regarding salaries and allowances, is vested in the Board of Management, but no by-law once passed shall be altered or repealed except on a vote of two-thirds of the members of the Board present at a regular monthly meeting thereof, and after notice of such alteration or repeal given at next preceding monthly meeting.

Article V.—Amendments.

The foregoing articles, together with the provisions contained in the Act of Incorporation, are declared to be the Constitution of the "Halifax School for the Blind," and no alteration shall be made therein except by a vote of two-thirds of the persons present at an annual meeting of the Corporation upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers, of which at least one month's notice in writing shall be given to the benefactor or member, and mailed at Halifax, or left at his place of business or abode.

BY-LAWS.

BOARD OF MANAGERS' MEETING.

I.—Stated Meetings.

The Board shall hold a stated meeting at the Institution on the first Monday of every month, except when such Monday shall fall on a public holiday, then on the day following, and at such hours as they may from time to time appoint.

II.—Special Meetings.

Special meetings may be convened by request of the President or three members of the Board, the time, place and object to be specified in such request, and inserted in the notice of meeting by the Secretary.

At least twenty-four hours' notice of special meetings shall be given, and no business other than that specified in the notice shall be transacted.

III.—Quorum.

Five of the members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

IV.—Presiding Officer.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board at which he may be present, and shall be *ex officio* member of all standing committees. In his absence the Vice-President shall represent him, as well at standing committees as at the Board. In the absence of both President and Vice President from any meeting of the Board, the chair shall be taken by the first named on the list of Managers present at the hour for commencing business.

V.—Committees.

The following Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Board of Managers at the first meeting in each year :—

(1) *Finance*—

A Committee of Finance, consisting of the President, Treasurer and four members of the Board, whose duty it shall be to devise and recommend ways and means for securing and preserving the financial property of the Institution, to examine and certify the correctness of the Treasurer's annual report, and at the end of every year prepare and submit a full and clear report of the financial condition of the Institution.

Every Standing Committee shall from time to time furnish the Committee of Finance with such information as they may require, and particularly before the close of every year with full inventory of all the property in their respective positions.

(2) *Instruction*—

A Committee of Instruction, consisting of four members of the Board, who shall have supervision of the Educational Department, and shall enquire from time to time into the methods pursued in the instruction of the blind in other places.

(3) *Manufactures*—

A Committee of three on Manufactures to supervise the Manufacturing Department, supply that department with raw material, and dispose of the articles manufactured.

(4) *House*—

A House Committee on Supplies, Repairs and Improvements, to have supervision of all matters connected with the supply of provisions, clothing and other necessaries; the regulation of the domestic arrangements of the Institution, and care of the building and grounds.

(5) *General duties*—

Each Standing Committee shall visit the Institution at least once a month and arrange for one of their number to do so weekly. They will have the entire and conclusive control, subject only to the full Board, over the department allotted to them; shall keep a book in the Institution, in which all their proceedings shall be entered, and especially all requisitions, instructions and orders given to the Super-

intendent or other officers shall be clearly set down therein, for the prevention of any misunderstanding regarding the same. The chairman shall be bound to see that the duties of his Committee are in every respect fully performed, and shall furnish the Board whenever required with the minutes of the proceedings, and all other information required.

VI.—Duties of the Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds and securities belonging to the Institution, and shall be *ex officio* a member of the Committee of Finance; shall deposit all monies of the Institution, and pay, by cheques drawn thereon, all bills certified by the Chairman or any Standing Committee. He shall present at every stated meeting in each year a full report for the year, and in such forms as the Board may prescribe.

VII.—Duties of the Corresponding Secretary.

The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the general correspondence of the Institution and submit the same at each stated meeting of the Board. He shall file at the Institution all letters received by him or the Board, and copies of all letters written by him, and keep the same under his charge for the exclusive use of the Board.

Duties of the Recording Secretary.

The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Board, and enter the names in Book of Minutes; shall prepare and issue all notices required in conducting the business of the Institution; and communicate all resolutions of the Board to the Committee or officer affected thereby.

He shall have the custody of the seal, and use the same only as directed by the Board of Managers.

He shall see that all by-laws of the Institution are properly recorded in a book kept for that purpose; shall file at the Institution all reports and papers submitted to the Board or placed in his custody, and safely keep them for the exclusive use of the Board.

Whenever the Secretary is mentioned in any by-law, resolutions or other proceedings, it shall mean the Recording Secretary.

In his absence the Managers shall appoint one of their number to act *pro tempore*.

IX.—Admission of Pupils.

(1) *General terms*—

Young blind persons of good moral character between the ages of ten and twenty-one, may be admitted to the Institution in accordance with the provisions of the Acts in relation to the Education of the Blind.

Their friends may visit them at reasonable times under the regulation of the Board.

(2) *Day Scholars*—

The Board may, at their discretion, receive day scholars upon such terms and conditions as they may prescribe.

(3) *Forms &c.*

Applications for admission must be addressed to the Recording Secretary, at the School, and made upon the forms and in accordance with the directions prescribed by the Board.

CONSOLIDATED ACTS

In relation to the Education of the Blind of Nova Scotia.

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly as follows:

1.—The parents or guardian of any blind person between the ages of ten and twenty-one years, who has under the provisions of Chap. 33 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 4th Series, a settlement within any County or District of the Provinces incorporated by Chapter 1, Statutes of 1879, may apply to the Warden of such Municipality for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School for the Blind, which order the Warden should at once grant under his hand and the corporate seal of the Municipality on being satisfied that such blind person is between the ages above prescribed, and has a legal settlement in the Municipality.

2.—Such order shall entitle a blind person named therein to be received into the Halifax School for the Blind and, subject to conditions hereinafter described, to be educated and boarded therein during the school terms. Pupils under thirteen years of age when entering the School shall be entitled to remain seven years; those entering between the ages of thirteen and seventeen years shall be entitled to remain five years, and those between the ages of seventeen and twenty-one to remain three years.

3.—For every blind person received into the Halifax School for the Blind, pursuant to this Act, educated and boarded therein, the Board of Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind shall be entitled to receive from the Provincial Treasurer at the rate of seventy-five dollars per annum, payable half-yearly, and also to receive at the same rate from the County School Fund of the Municipality to which the said blind person belongs. When such Municipality shall not comprise an entire County, the last mentioned grant of seventy-five dollars shall be charged against the County School Funds of both Districts included within the County in proportion to the amounts of their respective school allowance derived from the County School Fund.

4.—It shall be the duty of the Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind to furnish semi-annually to the Council of Public Instruction full returns of the names, ages, residences, &c., of the pupils in respect of whom the above grants may be claimed.

5.—In the semi-annual apportionment of the County School Fund the Superintendent of Education shall include the amounts due the Managers of the Halifax School of the Blind, and issue the drafts therefor on the Treasury of the respective Municipalities.

6.—The Provincial Secretary shall be *ex officio* a member of the Board of Managers of the School for the Blind.

7.—In the case of an incorporated city or town within the Province in which any such blind person as is designated in the first Section of this Act has a legal settlement, an allowance to the Board of Managers of the said School of seventy-five dollars per annum shall be assessed upon the inhabitants of said city or town, in case such city or town does not contribute or draw from the County School Fund, and in such case said sum shall be paid to the said Managers for each such blind person sent to the said School, and each such blind person shall be admitted to said School in the manner prescribed in the first Section of this Act, the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation exercising the powers therein conferred upon the Warden of the Municipality; and there shall be paid to the said Managers from the Provincial Treasury, for such blind persons for which such city or town contributes such allowance, the sum of seventy-five dollars in like manner as is provided in the third Section of this Act.

8.—The Governor-in-Council upon being satisfied that an applicant has a settlement within the Province, and has no means of paying the expenses of his or her education, may, by Order-in-Council, upon recommendation of the Board of Managers, make the provisions of said Act apply to any blind person over the age of twenty-one years. Such an Order-in-Council shall entitle the blind person to be received on the same terms as persons mentioned in the first and second sections of said Act.

9.—The Governor-in-Council shall have authority by Order-in-Council, upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers, to extend the time of any pupil who has entered under the provisions of this chapter.

10.—The parents or guardians of any blind person between the age of ten and twenty-one years, who has not the settlement referred to in Section 1 of Chapter 17 of the Acts of 1882, may, nevertheless, apply to the Warden of the Municipality for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School for the Blind ; and if the Warden be satisfied that such parents or guardian have or has *bona fide* settled in the Municipality, with the intention of remaining, the Warden may grant such order, which shall have the same force and effect as an order given under the provisions of the said Section.

11.—In the case of any person who has been admitted to the Halifax School for the Blind, or on whose behalf application for admission to such School has been made, who has no settlement within any County or District of the Province as required by Section 1 of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, the Provincial Secretary, if satisfied that such person is fairly chargeable to the Province, may pay, or agree to pay, to the Board of Managers of the said School the same sum as is allowed from the Provincial Treasury in the case of a person admitted under the provisions of the said chapter and the amendments thereto.

AN ACT

Relating to the Education of the Blind of New Brunswick.

Chap. VIII, Acts of the General Assembly, 1892.

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, as follows:—

1.—The Parents or Guardian of any blind person between the ages of ten and twenty-one years, who has, under the provisions of Chapter 102 of the Consolidated Statutes of New Brunswick, a settlement within any County or City of the Province, may apply to the Warden of the Municipality or the Mayor of the City for an Order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School or any other Institution for the Blind approved by the Governor-in-Council, and the said Warden or Mayor on being satisfied that such blind person is between the ages above prescribed and has a legal settlement in the Municipality or City, shall at once grant such order for admission as aforesaid under his hand and the corporate seal of the Municipality or City, and forward the same to the Provincial Secretary for his approval to be endorsed thereon.

2.—Such order so approved by the Provincial Secretary shall entitle the blind person named therein to be received into the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind as aforesaid, and subject to conditions hereinafter prescribed, to be educated and boarded therein during the school terms. Pupils under thirteen years of age, when entering the school, shall be entitled to remain seven years; those entering between the ages of thirteen and seventeen shall be entitled to remain five years; and those between the ages of seventeen and twenty-one years to remain three years.

3.—For every blind person received into the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind, approved as aforesaid, pursuant to this Act, and educated and boarded therein, the Board of Managers of such School or Institution for the Blind shall be entitled to receive from the Provincial

Treasurer, at the rate of seventy-five dollars per annum, payable half-yearly, and also to receeive at the same rate from the County School Fund of the Municipality to which the said blind person belongs. This section to apply to the blind persons in attendance at the Halifax Institution at the time of the passing of this Act.

4.—The Board of Managers of the said Halifax School, or other Institution for the Blind approved as aforesaid, shall furnish semi-annually on the first day of January and July in each year, to the Chief Superintendent of Education of the Province of New Brunswiek, full returns of the names, ages, residences, attendance, &c., of the pupils in respect of whom the above grants may be claimed.

5.—In the semi-annual apportionment of the County School Fund, the Superintendent of Education shall include the amounts due the Managers of any Institution for the Blind, and issue drafts therefor on the Treasurers of the respective Municipalities.

6.—In the case of any incorporated City or Town within the Province in which any blind person, as is designated in the first Section of this Act, has a legal settlement, and which City or Town does not contribute to or draw from the County School Fund, there shall be paid by such City or Town to the Board of Managers of the said School an allowance of seventy-five dollars per annum, and such sum shall form part of the general assessment of such City or Town for each blind person sent to said School, and each such blind person sent to the said School shall be admitted to the said School in the manner prescribed in the first Section of this Act, the chief executive officer of the Corporation exercising the powers therein conferred upon the Warden of the Municipality, and there shall be paid to the said Managers from the Provincial Treasury for each such blind person, for which such City or Town contributes such allowance, the sum of seventy-five dollars in like manner as is provided in the third Section of this Act.

7.—The parents or guardian of any blind person between the ages of ten and twenty-one years who have or has not the settlement referred to in Section one of this Act, may, nevertheless, apply to the Warden of a Municipality or the Mayor of a City for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School or other Institution for the

Blind as aforesaid, and if the Warden or Mayor of a City be satisfied that such parents or guardians have or has *bona fide* settled in the Municipality or City with the intention of remaining, the Warden or Mayor may grant such order in manner and form as prescribed in the first Section of this Act, which shall have the same force and effect as an order given under the provisions of the said Section.

8.—In the case of any person who has been admitted to the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind as aforesaid, or on whose behalf application for admission to such School has been made, who has no settlement within any County or District of the Province as required by Section one of this Act, the Provincial Secretary, if satisfied that such person is fairly chargeable to the Province, may pay or agree to pay to the Board of Managers of the said School the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum from the Provincial Treasury.